SCANDINAVIAN FILMS ON VIDEO/DVD (Various distributors)

**TYPE OF PROGRAM:** Scandinavian culture and civilization; films

**ACCESSION DATE:** Beginning August 1999

**DESCRIPTION:** A series of films either produced in Scandinavian countries, directed by Scandinavian directors, or about Scandinavian subjects: most are subtitled in English. VIDEOTAPES AND DVDs ARE FOR RESERVE USE IN THE MEDIA LIBRARY ONLY -- Instructors may check them out for up to 24 hours for preview purposes or to show in class. See the Media Catalog for films in other languages.

**AUDIENCE:** Students of Scandinavian languages and literature.

**FORMAT:** VHS; NTSC; DVD

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<td>Iceland. Color. 90 min. English and Icelandic with English subtitles. Gay/Comedy. A young man’s sexual impulses go haywire when he discovers that the woman he has just been to bed with happens to be his mother’s lesbian lover. Set against the backdrop of Reykjavik’s swinging nightlife, this zany black comedy takes a candid look at its anti-hero’s compelling, confused and often hilarious sexual universe. Living on social security in the protected environment of his mother’s home, Hlynur has never felt the urge to venture beyond the confines of his microcosmic world: 101 Reykjavik. Determined to resist adulthood at all cost, he soon finds out that life is busy making other plans for him. ISBN 0794203353</td>
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<td>Denmark. 2005. DVD. Color. 119 min. In English/Danish w/English subtitles. Directed by Susanne Bier. Far from home, Jacob runs a struggling orphanage in one of India’s poorest regions. Desperate to save the orphanage from closure, he returns to Denmark to meet Jorgen, a wealthy businessman and potential benefactor. What appears to be nothing more than a friendly gesture to attend a wedding sets in motion an increasingly devastating series of surprises.</td>
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<td>Norway. 2000. 88 min. Color. In Norwegian with NO subtitles. Jan is the owner of a small shop in Norway. He is always broke, but always optimistic-a kind of modern Don Quixote armed with hamburgers and Chinese cabbage. His big dream is to expand his shop. However, when he gets involved in a mysterious disappearance, he almost loses his shop and his girlfriend.</td>
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Ariel

Autumn Sonata

Babette’s Feast
Denmark. 1989. 102 min. Color. In Danish and French with English Subtitles. From the storyteller Isak Dinesen comes this delicious tale of Babette, a superb French chef living an anonymous life among a pious congregation on the desolate coast of Denmark. As housekeeper and cook to two elderly, religious women, she's never called upon to prepare anything more exciting than the traditional boiled codfish and ale-bread soup. Until one day she wins 10,000 francs and decides to spend it all by creating the most memorable, mouth-watering magnificent meal ever consumed—even though her guests, the simple villagers, will have no idea what they're eating.

Borgen (Seasons 1 & 2)
Denmark. 2012. DVD. In Danish w/English subtitles. Directed by various. Blockbuster political drama Borgen explores the insular world of high-stakes Danish politics.

The Bridge (Series 1 & 2)
Denmark. DVD. In Danish & Swedish w/English subtitles. Thriller.

Brothers
Denmark. 2005. DVD. Color. 1 hr. 57 min. In Danish w/English subtitles. Directed by Susanne Bier. Charged story of two brothers who struggle to find their place within their family after one of them is sent to war in Afghanistan.

Buddy
Norway. 2004. DVD. Color. 100 min. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Directed by Morten Tyldum. Kristoffer’s love life is on the rocks, but what can you expect from a guy who likes to videotapes himself and his friends pulling outrageous stunts? When Kristoffer’s video diary winds up on a popular TV show, it’s not just his love life that turns upside down. A heartwarming story about high jinks, crazy roommates and reality television.

Bunch of Five
Norway. DVD. Color. 70 min. In Norwegian with English or Chinese subtitles. Examines the fragmentary story of five young boys. An account of one crucial week in the lives of Jonas and his friend Emir. Without much of a future they take control of their own lives and push the limits within their relationship to each other and to the world. At a critical moment Jonas lets his best friend down. A film about being young and reflects a true picture of contemporary Oslo, but it could have been any other large city. A story about betrayal, loss of innocence, and the search for identity but also about a warm friendship.

Carl Th. Dreyer-My Metier
1995. Denmark. 94 min. DVD. B&W. Narrated in English; interviews in Danish and French, with optional English subtitles. Torben Skjødt Jensen’s elegant documentary is a collage of memories and reflections on one of cinema’s greatest directors. Film illuminates an artist too little understood and too important to overlook. Through interviews, historical writings, and rare archival footage, a portrait of Dreyer emerges—an austere perfectionist, yes, but also a
passionate man possessing a genuine sense of humor.

The Celebration  
**DA2.008**  
106 min. Color. German and Danish with English subtitles. Winner of the Special Jury Prize at the 1998 Cannes Film Festival, this riveting feature, filmed in a deliberately raw fashion, veers between being the bleakest of tragedies and the most astonishing of black comedies. A well-to-do family gathers for a weekend reunion, where rivalries and insecurities pale next to the dark secret shared by the father and his favorite son. Made as part of the "Dogma 95" collective (which includes Lars Von Trier), a group devoted to making movies with as little technical polish as possible—no artificial lighting, sets or props, with an emphasis on hand-held camerawork and gritty realism. This film was shot on digital video before being transferred to film.

Cool & Crazy  
**NO2.009**  
Norway. 2001. DVD. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Color. 89 min. Directed by Knut Eric Jensen. Introduces us to a group of men who find purpose, companionship and even fame, as members of a male choir in Berlevag, Norway.

Cool & Crazy on the Road  
**NO2.011**  
Norway. 2002. DVD. 105 minutes. Color. In English & Norwegian w/English subtitles. Directed by Knut Erik Jensen. Follows the men’s choir as they leave their small fishing village to tour the United States for the first time. The singers, who range in age from their early 30's to late 90's, cut a swath across American bringing timeless songs of faith and joy everywhere they travel.

Day of Wrath  
**DA2.009**  
Directed by Carl Dreyer. VHS or DVD. Feature film in Danish w/English subtitles. 1943. B&W. From the novel by Wiers Jenssens. The story of a young and beautiful woman accused of being a witch.

Dead Snow  
**NO2.029**  
Norway. 2009. DVD. 92 min. Color. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Directed by Tommy Wirkola. When a group of medical students take a sex-and booze-fueled ski vacation to a remote cabin in the Norwegian Alps, they uncover a dark secret from WWII that resurrects a battalion of uncontrollable, unstoppable and extremely undead Nazis. What follows is a blitzkrieg of bloodshed, body parts and action-packed zombie carnage.

Detektor  
**NO3.005**  
2000. Norway. 1 hour 42 min. Directed by Pal Jackman. Manuscript by Erlend Loe. In Norwegian with no subtitles. A quirky story of a newly educated psychologist, Daniel Jor, who finds more than he bargain for when hunting for buried treasure and dead bodies with his metal detector. With his best friend Ronny, a would-be DJ on a radio show, Daniel pursues his hobby of looking for things under the earth. Finding a necklace leads to a romance full of surprises, while searching for the missing father, tractor and dog of a farm-woman reveals strange parallels with Daniel’s own history. Daniel slowly finds out more about his own father, who supposedly died before he was born, while struggling to move out of his mother’s house into an apartment of his own. When a reluctant Swedish patient appears in his office one day, little does Daniel realize where the sessions will lead. And when the woman of his dreams mysteriously disappears, Daniel has to enlist the help of a sadistic patient to get her back.

Døden på Oslo S (Death at Oslo Central Station)  
**NO2.021**  
Norway. 1990 DVD, requires region free player. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. 1 hr. 34 min. This movie is an adaptation of the popular Norwegian writer Ingvar Ambjørnson’s book by the same name. It takes place in the early
nineties and shows the darker side of Oslo. Pelle is 15 years old and together with his best friend, Proffen, he tries to solve a crime-mystery involving drugs and underaged prostitutes.

**Drifting Clouds**
Finland. 1996. In Finnish w/English subtitles. Color. 96 min. Written, directed and edited by Aki Kaurismaki. A tale of marriage and individual pride tested by sudden unemployment, focuses on the lives of a couple caught in Finland’s economic recession.

**Easy Money**
Sweden. DVD. Color. 124 min. In Swedish w/English subtitles. Directed by Daniel Espinosa. When JW becomes a drug runner in order to maintain his double life, his fate becomes tied to two other men: Jorge, a fugitive on the run from both the Serbian mafia and the police, and mafia enforcer Mrado, who is on the hunt for Jorge.

**Elling**
Norway. 2001. In Norwegian only. Color. 84 min. After two years of institutionalized life in a state home, Elling and Kjell are sent off to live on their own. Facing the challenges of the real world, the middle-aged roommates find themselves misfits in a fast, confusing world, but through their friendship and some unusual coping mechanisms they find a way to succeed. An Academy Award nominee for Best Foreign Language film.

**Elling (DVD w/English subtitles)**
Norway. 2001. DVD. In Norwegian with English subtitles. 90 min. Color. Comedy. Directed by Petter Ness. After two years of institutionalized life in a state home, Elling and Kjell are sent off to live on their own. Facing the challenges of the real world, the middle-aged roommates find themselves misfits in a fast, confusing world, but through their friendship and some unusual coping mechanisms they find a way to succeed. An Academy Award nominee for Best Foreign Language film.

**Elsk meg I morgen (Love me Tomorrow)**
Norway. 2005. DVD, requires region free player. 85 min. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. This is the last movie in the popular Elling trilogy. Four years have passed since Elling moved to town together with Kjell Bjarne, his roommate from the institution at Broynes. Elling now lives in his own apartment. Kjell Bjarne has moved up one floor, to Reidun and her little daughter Mojo. Elling feels like an outsider, and he isolates himself more and more. Kjell-Bjarne and Reidun help him return to society. In the process he meets a woman and decides that love is what he is missing.

**The Emigrants**
VHS. 151 min. Color. Dubbed in English. Directed by Jan Troell. From a novel by Vilhelm Moberg. Max von Sydow and Liv Ullman play a married couple who pull up roots and join fellow Swedes in a quest that tests their determination and faith. In the end, they reach a lake-dotted woodland where the rich topsoil is two feet deep. It’s called Minnesota.

**Emma’s Shadow**
Evil  
Sweden. 2003. DVD. 110 min. In Swedish w/English subtitles. Color. Directed by Makael Hafstrom. As refuge from his stepfather’s abuse and a last hope for his academic future, Erik’s (Andreas Wilson) mother (Marie Richardson) sends him to Stjarnsberg, a private boarding school. Only Stjarnsberg isn’t the safe refuge his mother believes it to be. Inside these walls evil governs, and Erik must struggles just to survive while avoiding expulsion for breaking “the rules.”

Fanny and Alexander  
Sweden. 1982. 3 hrs. 8 min. Color. In Swedish with English subtitles. Directed by Ingmar Bergman. A ten year old boy and his eight year old sister lives change when their father dies and their mother marries a villainous bishop who whisks them off to his austere castle. Lonely and isolated, the children are miserable, longing for the warmth of the live they left behind. Luckily, an old family friend comes to their rescue, wielding some special magic to spirit the children on an adventurous journey home.

Fest hos Albert Aberg (Party at Albert Aberg)  

Fire and Ice  
79 min. In English with English subtitles for Finnish speakers. DVD. Producer/director/writer Ben Strout. About the 2939 Winter War when Finland was invaded by the Soviet Union.

Fröken Julie  
1951. 90 min. B&W. DVD. In Swedish w/optional English subtitles. A film by Alf Sjöberg. Adaption of August Strindberg’s 1888 play. Depicts the battle of the sexes and classes that ensues when a wealthy businessman’s daughter falls for her father’s bitter servant.

Frosset Hjerte  
Norway. 1999. In Norwegian only. 90 min. Color. Directed by Stig Andersen/Kenny Sanders. Mixing reenactments with more traditional documentary techniques, this film tells the story of polar explorer Roald Amundsen, the first man to reach the South Pole. Some experts, doubting the documentation of Robert Peary and Richard Byrd, have made the argument that Amundsen was actually the first to reach the North Pole as well. Film examines that controversy while also revealing the triumphs and tragedies of Amundsen’s career and private life.

Frygtelig Lykkelig  

Gertrude  
1964. Denmark. 116 min. B&W. In Danish w/optional English subtitles. DVD. Dreyer’s last film neatly crowns his career: a meditation on tragedy, individual will, and the refusal to compromise. A woman leaves her unfulfilling marriage and embarks on a search for ideal love, but neither a passionate affair with a younger man nor the return of an old romance can provide the answer she seeks.
The Girl
Sweden. 2009. DVD. Color. 95 min. In Swedish with English subtitles. Directed by Fredrik Edelset. In the summer of 1981, a 9-year old girl is left behind in her aunt’s care while the rest of her family goes to Africa as aid workers. The aunt is soon courted by a man and leaves the girl with the promise to return in a few days. The abandoned girl keeps this a secret from everyone and uses her freedom to discover the world around her as the summer passes by. With sharpening senses she gradually discovers the often absurd and careless world of adults.

The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet’s Nest

The Girl Who Played With Fire

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo
Sweden. 2009. DVD. Color. 152 min. In Swedish w/English subtitles. Directed by Niels Arden Oplev. Forty years ago, Harriet Vanger disappeared from a family gathering on the island owned and inhabited by the powerful Vanger clan. Her body was never found, yet her beloved uncle is convinced it was murder and that the killer is a member of his own tightly knit but dysfunctional family. He employs disgraced financial journalist Mikael Blomkvist (Michael Nyqvist) and the tattooed and troubled but resourceful computer hacker Lisbeth Salander (Noomi Rapace) to investigate. When the pair link Harriet’s disappearance to a number of grotesque murders from almost forty years ago, they begin to unravel a dark and appalling family history. But the Vangers are a secretive clan, and Blomkvist and Salander are about to find out just how far they are prepared to go to protect themselves.

Good Evening, Mr. Wallenberg
Swedish. 1990. DVD. Color. 115 min. In Swedish, German and Hungarian w/ English subtitles. Written and directed by Kjell Grede. The story of Swedish businessman Raoul Wallenberg who helped Jews in Budapest, Hungary in 1944 obtain Swedish passports to get them out of Adolph Eichmann’s deadly path. He saved over 60,000 people in Budapest’s Jewish ghetto.

Hamsun

Hawaii, Oslo
Norway. 2006. DVD. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. 124 min. Color. Directed by Erik Poppe. Five stories about love are interwoven in Oslo during the hottest day of the year. Frode and Milla have their first child. Two young boys search for their mother. Leon hopes to keep a 10 year old date with his teenage sweetheart. Leon’s brother, Trygve gets a weekend leave from prison to be with Leon on his birthday. Touching everyone is Vidar, who sees things no one else can see. Everyone is running from something, search for something, or dreaming of something else on this destined day.

Headhunters
Norway. 2011. Dvd. Color. 100 mins. In Norwegian and English w/English subtitles. Directed by Morten Tyldum. Roger is a charming scoundrel and Norway’s most accomplished headhunter. He lives a life of luxury well beyond his means and chooses to subsidize his expensive lifestyle through stealing highly prized art. When his beautiful wife, an art gallery owner, introduces him to a former mercenary in possession of an extremely valuable painting, he decides to risk it all in order to obtain it, and in doing so, he discovers something that makes him a hunted man.
himself.

**Hip Hip Hurrah!**
Denmark. 1987. VHS. In Danish w/English subtitles. 110 min. Color. Written and directed by Kjell Grede. Romantic drama about a group of talented and famous Scandinavian painters who gather at Skagen, Denmark’s remote, northermost cape, at the end of the 19th century.

**Høyere enn himmelen**
Norway. 1994. In Norwegian only. 90 min. Color. 12 year-old Mari is at the age when nothing and no one pleases her. The only person she admires is the old and crotchety teacher Miss Kjær. Miss Kjær invites only Mari to her birthday party where she tells Mari about the love of her youth (Aleksander) and how he disappeared over 40 years ago. Mari decides to bring Miss Kjær and her dear Aleksander together again.

**The Hunt**
Denmark. 2012. DVD. Color. In Danish w/English subtitles. 115 mins. Directed by Thomas Vinterberg. Lucas is just starting to get his life back together after losing his job and facing a difficult divorce, when his life is shattered by an untruthful remark throwing his small community into a collective state of hysteria. As the lie spreads, Lucas is forced to fight a lonely battle for his life and dignity.

**Hvidstengruppen**

**I Am Yours**
Norway. 2014. DVD. 100 min. In Norwegian, Urdu and Swedish with English subtitles. Directed by Iram Haq. Mina is a young single mother in Oslo navigating the demands of raising 6 yr. Old Felix, appeasing her traditional Pakistani family’s expectations and finding the time to enjoy the social life she so desires. Constantly looking for love in all the wrong places, Mina falls in and out of relationships with a string of men, none of them lasting very long. But when Mina meets Jesper, a film director based in Stockholm who seems to adore her, she falls head over heels in love, willing to go to any lengths to make it work this time around. Before long, problems start and Mina finds herself at a crossroads, forced to sort out her life’s direction once and for all.

**Import Export**
Norway. DVD. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Directed by Khalid Hussain. Jan is a 25 year-old Norwegian and aspiring rock musician who has fallen in love with Jasmin, a Pakistani-Norwegian woman who's perfect for him in every way- except that her parents have promised her in marriage to a cousin on his way over from Pakistan. While Jasmin loves Jan too, she believes in the customs of her culture and will only marry someone of her family's choosing. The wedding is imminent, and all seems hopeless. But Jan loves Jasmin so much he can't let her go. Instead, he's determined to win her back by becoming the man of her family's dreams. To work his way into the family's good graces, Jan goes undercover as a student researching immigrant grocery stores and begins working for Jasmin's father Allahditta, a cantankerous store owner none too fond of Norwegians, and more cranky than ever with the wedding plans on his mind. Slowly, Jan makes himself indispensable to Allahditta, and, in this meeting of east and west, of Norwegian and Pakistani ways, the two become friends. But will this new understanding and friendship be enough to convince Allahditta that Jan is suitable for his beloved and betrothed daughter? Import Export is a warm, entertaining comedy that explores the problems inherent in the meeting of two such distinct cultures as the Norwegian and the Pakistani. Be prepared to laugh and cry and to get a newfound belief in the power of love to (eventually) conquer all.

**Insomnia**
Norway. VHS or DVD. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Color. 97 min. Directed by Erik Skjoldbjaerg. 1997. A
brilliant but arrogant detective with a tarnished past, is sent to a remote hamlet in northern Norway to find the killer of a beautiful young woman. After making a fatal error in his investigation and attempting to cover it up, the detective finds himself implicated in the crime he was sent to solve.

**Italian for Beginners**  
Denmark. DVD. 97 min. Color. In Danish and Italian with English subtitles. Directed by Lone Scherfig. In a small, rainy suburb, a mismatched collection of seven opposites have enrolled in an Italian class in hopes of spicing up their lives. Then, as they realize the class offers them more than just language lessons, they join together on a quest to Italy with renewed desire to pursue the romances of their lives.

**Jalla Jalla (The Best Man’s Wedding)**  
Sweden. 2001. DVD, requires region free player. 92 min. Color. In Swedish with English subtitles. Written and directed by Josef Fares. Roro works as an attendant in a Stockholm park with his best friend Mans and dotes on his Swedish girlfriend, Lisa. Their romance is kept secret because his parents would disapprove. In fact his family believes he’s still eligible and they devote much of the time to finding him a Lebanese bride. One such contender Yasmin, conspires with Roro to dupe their families with a bogus engagement.

**Junk Mail**  

**Käki**  
Finland. 2003. DVD requiring region free player. Color. 1 hour 39 min.

**Kamilla og Tyven (Kamilla og the Thief)**  
Norway. 1988. 1 hr. 41 min. DVD, requires region free player. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. This move is an adaptation of a popular children’s book written by kari Vinje. Eight-year-old Kamilla is orphaned and moves in with her rich uncle Old in Kristiansand. However, Ole’s wife is not so interested in having Kamilla and wants to send her to boarding school in Denmark. Kamilla’s uncle decides to smuggle her into the countryside. On her way she is robbed. A kind man name Sebastian comes to her rescue. However, Sebastian has a mysterious past that follows him and Kamilla begins to wonder what it is.

**Karius and Baktus**  

**Kieliipuoli potilas**  
Finland. 2003. DVD requiring region free player. 40 min (+190 min.)

**The Killing Trilogy (Forbrydelsen)**  
Denmark. 2007-2012. DVD, requires region free player. In Danish w/English subtitles. Directed by Kristoffer Nyholm, Mikkel Serup. A critically acclaimed Danish polic procedural drama series. Set in a fictional version of Copenhagen’s polic department, each series follows a different murder case within a one hour episode covering twenty four hours of the investigation, led by Detective Inspector Sarah Lund.

**King of Devi’s Island**
Norway. 2011. DVD. Color. 116 min. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Directed by Marius Holst. This true story of the infamous Bastøy Boys Home correctional facility in Norway, begins with the arrival of seventeen-year-old Erling, a rumored murderer. He immediately clashes with the island facility's governor (Stellan Skarsgård), who believes manual labor, rigid discipline, and harsh punishment are the only methods that can turn the boys into honorable members of society. Refusing to accept the constant abuse, Erling slowly rouses the rest of the boys out of their resigned existence, and encourages them to fight to lift up their spirits. When tragedy finally falls at the hand of the sadistic dorm master, Erling leads his comrades in a courageous and vicious rebellion that will bring them head to head with no less than the Norwegian Army.

**Kitchen Stories**

Sweden. 2003. DVD. Color. 1 hr. 35 min. In Norwegian & Swedish w/English subtitles. Directed by Bent Hamer. 1950's and a Swedish efficiency expert under strict orders not to interact with his subject is sent to improve a Norwegian farmer's culinary efforts. But the sly old farmer much prefers to amuse himself by impeding the timid researcher’s work. Soon, in the struggle between neutral observation and the need for human interaction, the kitchen becomes a battleground.

**Koirankynnen leikkaaja**

Finland. 2003. DVD requiring region free player. 99 min.

**Kon-Tiki**

Norway. 2012. DVD. 118 min. Directed by Joachim Romming and Espen Sandberg. Legendary explorer Thor Heyerdal's epic 4,300-mile crossing of the Pacific on a balsawood raft in 1947, in an effort prove that it was possible for South Americans to settle in Polynesia in pre-Columbian times.

**Kuutamolla**

Finland. 2002. DVD requiring region free player. 1 hr. 54 min. In Finnish subtitled in English, Swedish and Finnish.

**Lange Flate Baller**

Norway. 2006. DVD, requires region free player. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Color. 97 min. This is a comedy about six guys working at a garage in EdGarsjen. When their work is threatened by bankruptcy they do whatever is typical for them to do--to use whatever is left in the bank to go to the World Championship in soccer in Germany...without the wives.

**Let the Right One In**

Sweden. 2008. Color. Dvd. 115 min. In Swedish & English w/English subtitles. Based on the bestseller by John Ajvide Lindqvist. 12 yr old Oskar is regularly bullied by his stronger classmates. A new friendship develops when Eli, a pale, serious young girl who only comes out at night moves in next door. Coinciding with her arrival is a series of inexplicable disappearances and murders. As Oskar becomes more aware of Eli’s tragic plight, he cannot forsake her. However, Eli knows that to continue living, she must keep relocating. But when Oskar faces his darkest hour. Eli returns to defend him the only way she can.

**Liten Ida**


**The Match Factory Girl**

Finland 1990. 69 min. Color. DVD. In Finnish w/English subtitles..Directed by Aki Kaurismaki. Part of the
Proletariat Trilogy A factory worker, ignored by life, exacts precise revenge on the world around her.

**Miesten Vuoro (Steam of Life)**  
Finland. 2010. DVD, requires region free player. In Finnish w/English subtitles. 81 min. Color.

**Mifune**  
Denmark. 1999. DVD. In Danish w/English, French and Spanish subtitles. 102 min. Directed by Soren Kragh-Jacobssen. Kristen is enjoying life as a successful businessman and a newlywed. But when he receives a phone call informing him of his father's untimely passing, his comfortable new life is thrown into turmoil. He's kept his poor, small-town past a secret from his new wife and her family and must sneak away to settle family business before his cover is blown. Life on his family's farm proves anything but simple. Caring for his simple-minded, UFO-obsessed brother and falling love with the new housekeeper, a call-girl on the run, forces him to re-examine his new life.

**Min Stemor Strok Kongens Skjorter** (My Grandmother Ironed the King’s Shirts)  
1999. Canadian and Norwegian produced. 11 min. A short, humorous, animated film told from the viewpoint of the film creator's grandmother who helped make Norwegian history by being privileged to iron the Norwegians king's shirts. It gives a glimpse of important events in Norwegian history, including how Norwegians determined who would be their new king in 1905 and how the Norwegian Resistance Movement got started during WWII.

**Miss Julie see Fröken Julie**

**Monster Thursday**  
Norway. 2006. DVD. Color. 103 min. In Norwegian with English subtitles. Directed by Arild Østrem Ommundsen. Old friends Even and Tord live on Norway's west coast. A handsome career guy and an excellent surfer, Tord marries Karen, who Even has always loved. Despite the fact that Karen is expecting a child, Tord goes on a business trip to Singapore and asks Even to look after karen while he is gone. With Tord away, Even decides to makes his move.

**My Life as a Dog**  
Sweden. 1985. Color. In Swedish with optional English subtitles. DVD format. Directed by Lasse Hallstrom. 101 min. Shipped off to live with his uncle for the summer, 12 year old Ingmar finds unexpected adventures with the help of the town's warmhearted eccentrics. These experiences give him a sustaining inner strength to accept his life and to eventually enjoy childhood.

**Next Door**  
Norway. 2005. DVD. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. 76 min. Written and directed by Pal Setaune. Thriller. Newly single, John befriends the two women living in the cluttered labyrinth of an apartment next door. This neighborly spirit leads to a bizarre seduction, culminating with a blow to the jaw that dredges up deeply disturbing memories.

**Ordet**  
Denmark. 1955. DVD. Color. 105 min. Directed by Carl Theodor Dreyer. A young woman, intent on spiritual growth, begins to receive visions that lead her to question the very nature of reality and the existence of God.
1955. Denmark. 125 min. B&W. DVD format. In Danish w/optional English subtitles. A farmer’s family is torn apart by faith, sanctity, and love—one child believes he’s Jesus Christ, a second proclaims himself agnostic, and the third falls in love with a fundamentalist’s daughter. Putting the lie to the term “organized religion” Ordet is a challenge to simple facts and dogmatic orthodoxy. Layering multiple stories of faith and rebellion, Dreyer’s adaptation of Kaj Munk’s play quietly builds towards a shattering, miraculous climax.

Oslo August 31st
Norway. 2011. 95 min. Color. DVD. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Directed by Joachim Trier. Anders is on the verge of successfully completing treatment at a drug rehab in the countryside. As part of the program, he is allowed to go into Oslo for a job interview but instead uses the opportunity to revisit friends and old haunts.

The Other Side of Sunday
Norway. 2002. DVD. Directed by Berit Nesheim. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Set in 1959, and Maria is unhappily lagging behind the rock and roll rebellion of her peers. Her father, a priest, is sever and arbitrary in his judgements of what’s best for her, her mother is in and out of a hospital, and her Sundays are spent in church, allegedly hanging on the old man’s every word despite her ever-clarifying atheism. On way out: Find an ally as well as a cautionary figure in a lovely but miserable church servant who wishes she were as free as her true spirit.

Pelle the Conquerer
Denmark. 1988. 138 min. Danish with English subtitles. Directed by Bille August. Max von Sydow stars as the Swedish father who takes his son Pelle to Denmark in search for a new life. In the harsh milieu of the Danish farm, Pelle is inspired by the dreams of those around him. Realizing that his father cannot help Pelle fulfill his dream, Pelle sets off for a life of adventure.

Persona
Sweden. 1966. B&W. Directed by Ingmar Bergman. DVD format. Original Swedish audio w/English, French and Spanish subtitles. 83 min. With Liv Ullmann, Bibi Andersson. Actress Elisabet Vogler has stopped speaking and withdrawn completely. Under doctor’s orders, she’s taken to a remote seaside cottage by a nurse, Alma. Alma chats to fill the silence and gradually begins to lay bare her entire identity...until she discovers it is being coolly sucked away from her. As the women battle for control and sanity, the question becomes not which of them is patient and which is caregiver, but are they two separate women after all?

Pusher Trilogy

Reconstruction
Denmark. 2004. 90 min. DVD. Color. Directed by Christoffer Boe. Follows Alex, a photographer, and beautiful Aimee, who meet by chance and fall in love in the course of one intense day. Their feelings for each other are put to the test as the world around them becomes more and more alien in the labyrinthine Copenhagen. They stake their existence and find themselves in a free fall, with Alex facing the question of how far he is willing to go and how much he is ready to give up for his dreams of true love.

A Royal Affair
Denmark. 2012. DVD. 137 min. Color. In Danish w/English subtitles. Directed by Nikolaj Arch. The true story of an ordinary man who wins the queen’s heart and starts a revolution. Centering on the intriguing love triangle between the ever more insane Danish King Christina VII, the royal physicain who is a man of enlightenment and idealism Struensee and the young but strong Queen Croline Mathilada.
Rukajärven tie  
Finland. 1999. DVD requiring region free player. 117 min. In color.

The Seventh Seal  
Sweden. 1956. In color. 96 min. Directed by Ingmar Bergman. Swedish with English subtitles. Bergman’s powerful allegory of man’s search for meaning in life is stunningly visualized. A knight, upon return from the Crusades, plays chess with Death while the Plague ravages medieval Europe.

Shadows in Paradise  
Finland. 1986. 74 min. color. DVD. In Finnish w/English subtitles. Directed by Aki Kaurismaki. Part of the Proletariat Trilogy A romantic comedy when a trash collector and cashier retreat from society and into each other’s hesitant arms.

Shake It All About  
Denmark. 2004. DVD. Directed by Hella Joof. 98 min. Color. In Danish with English subtitles. Jorgen and Jacob plan to marry, but the Jacob falls in love with Jorgen’s brother’s wife. Jacob is questioning whether he wants Jorgen or Caroline, but mostly he wants both! Matters get complicated the Caroline gets pregnant by Jacob. The story features many hilarious and awkward situations between Jacob, Jorgen, Caroline and their many gay and straight friends.

Shame  
Sweden. 1968. B&W. 93 min. In Swedish and English w/English subtitles. Directed by Ingmar Bergman. With Liv Ullmann, Max Von Sydow, Bunnar Bjornstrand. On a remote island far removed from a raging civil war, Jan and Eva retreat to their apolitical fortress: a small vegetable farm. But their serene existence is shattered when soldiers violently invade their home. Now caught in the crosshairs of a brutal and inhuman conflict, Jan and Eva become survivors with only one concern—to endure.

Show Me Love  

Slipp Jimmy Fri (Free Jimmy)  
Norway. 2006. DVD, requires region free player. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Animated. This popular animated film follows four lowlife antiheroes Roy Arnie, Odd, Gaz and Flea, who are uprooted from their mean city streets to work with Ringmaster Stromowski in a declining Russian touring circus. The star attraction is Jimmy, an elephant kept happy on a cocktail of drugs. But Roy Arnie has a dream that one day he will run his own circus and he tells the boys that the key to his dream is Jimmy. On the opening night a bungled attempt to give Jimmy his “fix” causes widespread panic. Jimmy escapes and so begins a mad cap cross country road-trip to find Jimmy before he goes cold turkey.

Sound of Noise  
Sweden. 2010. DVD. Color. 102 min. In Swedish with English subtitles. Directed by Johannes Sijarie Nilsson. Police officer Amadeus Warnebring was born into a musical family with a long history of famous musicians. Ironically, he hates music. His life is thrown into chaos when a band of renegade musicians decide to perform a musical apocalypse using the city as their orchestra. Reluctantly, Warnebring embarks on his first musical investigation....
**Sweet Land**

2005. U.S. 111 min. Color. In English. Written and directed by Ali Selim. Inge is a feisty German mail-order bride who has come to Minnesota to marry Olaf, a young Norwegian immigrant farmer of few words. But in a post-WWI, anti-German climate, the local minister openly forbids the marriage. Inge and Olaf fall in love despite the town’s disapproval. But when the town banker attempts to foreclose on the farm of Olaf’s friend Fransen, Olaf takes a stand…and the community unites around the young couple, finally accepting Inge as one of their own.

**Teddy Bear**

Denmark. 2012. In Danish w/English subtitles. 96 min. DVD. Color. Directed by Mads Mattheisen. 38-year-old bodybuilder Dennis would really like to find true love. He has never had a girlfriend and lives alone with his mother in a suburb of Copenhagen. When his uncle marries a girl from Thailand, Dennis decides to try his own luck on a trip to Pattaya, as it seems that love is easier to find in Thailand. He knows that his mother would never accept another woman in his life, so he lies and tells her that he is going to Germany. Dennis has never been out traveling before and the hectic Pattaya is a huge cultural shock for him. The intrusive Thai girls give big bruises to Dennis’ naive picture of what love should be like, and he is about to lose hope when he unexpectedly meets the Thai woman Toi.

**Ti kniver i hjertet**

Norway. 1994. In Norwegian w/no subtitles. 96 min.

**Together**

Sweden. 2000. Color. DVD. 1 hr. 47 min. In Swedish w/English & Spanish subtitles. Directed by Lukas Moodysson. Life goes from hippe heaven to hellish anarchy when a suburban housewife and her two precocious kids move into a 1970s commune–only to unleash a maelstrom of suburban values. But as the belligerent beatniks and commitment-phobic communists start questioning their beliefs, they all begin to realize that sometimes living in harmony can be an all-out war.

**Troubled Water**

Norway. 2009. DVD. Color. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. 120 min. Directed by Erik Poppe. Jan, recently released from prison after serving time for the murder of a child, has always maintained his innocence and is ready to put the past behind him. A gifted organist, he takes a job at an Oslo church under his middle name, Thomas. His talent and gentle manner quickly earn him the respect of his superiors, as well as the love of the pastor, Anna. Thomas even overcomes his initial panic to return the affection of Anna’s young son, Jens. But his past catches up with him when Agnes, a local teacher, comes to the church on a school visit and recognizes the organist as Jan, the young man who was convicted for the murder of her son.

**Tuntematon sotilas**

Finland. 1985. 3 hr. 8 min. In Finish.

**Under the Sun**


**Uno**

Norway. 2004. DVD. 99 min. In Norwegian w/English subtitles. Color. Written and directed by Aksel Hennie. Uno is a story from inner-city Oslo about David, a twenty five-year-old with few prospects for the future. His days are spent hanging around with petty criminals at an inner-city gym. Still, it’s better than home: His father is terminally ill, his brother is mentally handicapped, and he’s unable to connect with his mother. But then, as his father is on his deathbed, the gym is raided by the police. David chooses to betray his friends in the hope of reaching his father for a
last farewell. But it's too late. With his father dead and his mother grief-stricken, he's also forced to take responsibility for his brother on top of fighting off his former underworld friends. The crisis makes David realize what's truly important in his life: his family. He starts assuming responsibility for both his past and his future. By losing everything, David is given a chance to start over from scratch and rebuild his life.

**Vampyr**
Denmark. 1931. DVD format. 75 min. Directed by Carl Theodor Dreyer. German with English subtitles. Tells with extraordinary images the nightmarish story of a young man who unwittingly becomes involved with two sisters and their father, all victims of a vampire.

**Wild Strawberries**
Sweden. 1957. In color. 90 min. Directed by Ingmar Bergman. In Swedish with English subtitles. Victor Sjöstrom stars as the aged Stockholm professor who recollects his past experiences and becomes aware, for the first time, of his failings and shortcomings.

**You the Living**

**Zozo**
Sweden. 2005. DVD. Color. 1 hr 43 mins. In Swedish w/English subtitles. Directed by Josef Fares. A young boy faces challenges both funny and terrifying in this drama from writer and director Josef Fares. It's 1987, and Zozo (Imad Creidi) is a ten-year-old boy whose parents are struggling to flee Beirut as warfare in the streets accelerates. Zozo's grandparents have emigrated to Sweden, and his mother and father plan to follow as soon as their passports and exit visas are approved. On the day that their papers finally come through, Zozo's mother asks him to go outside and get something for her -- and just misses being killed by the shell that explodes into their home. With his parents dead and his older brother missing, Zozo sees little choice but to fetch his passport and airline ticket and make his way to the airport on foot. With his pet bird in tow and a young girl named Rita (Antoinette Turk) who is running away from home for company, Zozo sets out on the long walk that will be the first leg in his journey to a new home. In time, Zozo makes his way to Sweden, where he's taken in by his grandmother (Yasmine Awad) and grandfather (Elias Gergi). However, Zozo feels like a fish out of water in his unfamiliar surroundings, and the increasingly eccentric behavior of his grandparents does nothing to make him feel more comfortable in this strange land. Zozo was loosely inspired by the youthful experiences of Josef Fares, who himself emigrated to Sweden when he was ten.